

WILLISTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES
General Wayne Elementary School, 20 Devon Road, Malvern, Pennsylvania
March 24, 2014 at 7:00 PM

The Regular Meeting of the Willistown Township Board of Supervisors came to order at 7:00 PM. Vice-Chairman William R. Shoemaker and Supervisor George J. McHugh, IV were present. Also present were Manager David R. Burman and Police Chief John M. Narcise.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Moment of Silence for Military Personnel

Officer Matt Brown of the Willistown Police Department led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, followed by a moment of silence for our troops.

Treasurer's Report

None.

Announcements

Mr. Shoemaker made the following announcements:

The next meeting of the Board of Supervisors will take place on Monday, April 14, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Willistown United Methodist Church, 6051 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square, PA.

The Willistown Township Zoning Hearing Board will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 26, 2014, at 7:30 PM in the matter of Z-1-14, in which the Applicants seek variance relief from the side yard setback to construct a new three-car garage on their property at 6 Stoneybrook Lane in the RA Residence District. The garage will be placed in a location that will encroach into the required side yard by approximately nine feet.

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

Mr. McHugh moved to approve the minutes of February 24, 2014. Mr. Shoemaker seconded the motion. There were no comments from the Board or the public, and the motion passed by a vote of 2-0.

Mr. Shoemaker moved to approve the list of expenditures and interfund transfers dated March 24, 2014. Mr. McHugh seconded the motion. There were no comments from the Board or the public, and the motion passed by a vote of 2-0.

Mr. Burman reported that Township Staff had not completed their work with regard to the Grounds Maintenance Bids, and therefore no recommendation would be provided at this time.

Mr. Burman reported on a number of ongoing Sanitary Sewer Projects. He updated the Board and the public on the recent problems in Tredyffrin's Valley Creek Trunk Sewer, which conveys

the majority of Willistown Township's sewage to the Valley Forge Treatment Plant. Mr. Burman also provided an update on the upgrades to Pumping Station 3. He provided a status report on the sanitary sewer categorization and assessment currently being performed by RedZone Robotics. Mr. Burman reported on the planned purchase of a sewer jet truck, and introduced Director of Public Works, Bill Hagan, who provided further information on the planned equipment purchase. Mike Kerr of 33 Stonehenge Lane asked whether the jet truck will include a root cutter, and Mr. Hagan confirmed that it will. Victor Guglielmi of 14 Wildwood Drive asked whether the township had explored the purchase of a used piece of equipment. Mr. Burman and Mr. Hagan stated that they had looked at that possibility and will investigate further. Mr. Burman and Mr. Hagan will return to a future meeting with an update.

Mr. Burman reported on the significant damage resulting from the severe ice storm that occurred in February, along with the numerous snowstorms this year. In the coming weeks, the Public Works Department will be clearing the rights-of-way for public roads. Mr. Burman asked whether the Board would allow residents to add their debris to the collection for this one time clean up. The Board agreed that this was a service the Township could provide in response to the severe winter storms. Mr. Hagan and Mr. Burman advised that the Township would need to rent a large chipper and possibly obtain help from tree contractors for this large project. The costs would be paid out of unspent expense categories and any revenues that come in above budget for the year. Mr. Burman reported that a postcard would be necessary to advise residents about the plan. The Board expressed no objection to this approach. Andrew Vaskas of 170 Paoli Pike and Jim Tate of 9 Harvey Lane commented on this matter.

Chief Narcise reported that he had been working with Jim Tate on the Drug Take Back Program. The event will take place on April 26, 2014 at the Willistown Township Police Building. The Chief reported that a postcard would be necessary to inform residents about the program. The Board expressed no objection to this approach.

The Chief reported on recent activities including a simple assault, an auto theft, and two very serious accidents that occurred in the Township. He also reported that the Police Department participated in a table-top exercise with the regional SWAT Team and the Great Valley School District.

Chief Narcise introduced Officer Matt Brown who reported on recent Police Department activities and discussed his tenure with the Police Department.

Mr. Shoemaker introduced John Vogelgesang of the Township's Road Crew. Mr. Vogelgesang is one of the Township's longest tenured non-uniform employees.

Citizens' Comments

None.

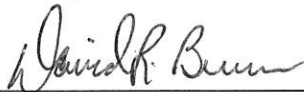
Next Meeting

Mr. Shoemaker announced that the next meeting of the Board of Supervisors will take place on Monday, April 14, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Willistown United Methodist Church, 6051 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square, PA.

Adjournment

Mr. McHugh moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Shoemaker seconded the motion. There were no comments from the Board or the public, and the motion passed by a vote of 2 to 0.

Respectfully Submitted,



David R. Burman
Secretary